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Application Number	09/627,801 ✓
Filing Date	July 28, 2000 ✓
First Named Inventor	Leverenz
Art Unit	1775 ✓
Examiner Name	A. Turner ✓
Attorney Docket Number	97337DIV ✓

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(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
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- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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